

Sexual Orientation Based on Behavior

Question Crosswalk

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Regardless of whether you are currently sexually active, which response best describes who you have had sex with over your adult lifetime? Have never had sex Sex with a woman or with women Sex with a man or with men Sex with both men and women	91-05								
Which response best describes who you have had sex with after 45 years of age? Sex with a woman or with women Sex with a man or with men Sex with both men and women Prefer not to answer	91-05								
Which of the following statements best describes your sexual orientation? Heterosexual, that is, 'straight,' or prefer to have sex with people of the opposite sex Bisexual, that is, prefer to have sex with people of either sex Homosexual, that is, gay or lesbian, or prefer to have sex with people of your own sex	00								
Thinking of the last five years, that is since [SEASON] of [YEAR], has the partner or partners in your sexual relationships been... Only men Mostly men About the same number of men and women Mostly women Only women Have you not had a sexual relationship in the last five years	00								

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And now some questions about your health and sexual practices. People are different in their sexual attraction to other people. Which category on the card best describes your feelings?

- Only attracted to females
- Mostly attracted to females
- Equally attracted to females and males
- Mostly attracted to males
- Only attracted to males

04/05

In your entire life, have you had sex with only males, only females, both males and females, or have you never had sex?

- Only males
- Only Females
- Both males and females
- Never had sex

04/05

What is (first/second/third) romantic partner's sex?

- Male
- Female

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Have you ever had a romantic attraction to a (female/male)?

- No
- Yes

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Since [MONTH LAST INTERVIEW] have you had a romantic attraction to a (female/male)?

- No
- Yes

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If respondent is male, ask: Have you ever touched another male's genitals, that is, his private parts?

- No
- Yes

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Except during a medical exam, has another male ever touched your genitals?

- No
- Yes

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What is [INITIALS]'s sex?

- Male
- Female

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Have you had sexual intercourse with [INITIALS]? No Yes				95 & 96					
Are you currently involved in a sexual or romantic relationship with [INITIALS]? No Yes				01					
Please indicate whether [INITIALS] is male or female. Male Female				01					
For each Marriage Partner, Cohabiting Partner, Pregnancy Partner, Current Dating Partner, and Most Recent Partner, ask: Is [INITIALS] male or female? Male Female				09					
Parent's Questionnaire (Add Health) What is your current (spouse/partner)'s sex? Male Female				95					
Since the age of 18, have your sex partners been... Only men Some women, but mostly men Equally men and women Some men, but mostly women Only Women I have not had any sex partners						08 & 12			

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At about what age were you when you first told someone that you had sex with someone of the same sex?

- Under age 14
- Age 14-18
- Age 18-25
- Age 26-35
- Age 36-45
- Age 46-55
- Age 56-65
- Age 66 or older
- I have never told anyone

08

What is the sex of your (spouse/civil union partner/domestic partner)?

- Male
- Female

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Some people are very open about their sexual orientation while others are not. About how many of your coworkers know that you (are gay[IF MALE]/are lesbian[IF FEMALE]/are bisexual/have sex with men[IF MALE]/have sex with women[IF FEMALE])?

- All of my coworkers
- More than half
- About half
- Less than half
- None of them

08

Now thinking about the time since your 18th birthday (including the past 12 months) how many (female/male) partners have you had sex with?

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4-6
- 7-9
- 10-14
- 15-24
- 25-988
- 989+

88/91,
93/96,
98, 00,
02, 04,
06, 08,
& 12

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Have your sex partners in the last five years been...
 Exclusively male
 Both male and female
 Exclusively female+A85

88/91,
93/96,
98, 00,
02, 04,
06, 08,
& 12

Have your sex partners in the last 12 months been...
 Exclusively male
 Both male and female
 Exclusively female

88/91,
93/96,
98, 00,
02, 04,
06, 08,
& 12

Thinking back, since you were age 18 and during the time before you started living with (1ST S/C), how many people, including men and women, did you begin having sex with, even if only one time?

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Was this partner male or female?
 Male
 Female

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How many of these partners were...
 Male
 Female

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Now I would like to ask you some questions about sexual experience with (SAME SEX AS R; males/females) after you were 12 or 13, that is, after puberty. How old were you the first time that you had sex with a (SAME SEX AS R; male/female)?

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Have your sex partners in the last 12 months been...
 Exclusively male
 Both male and female
 Exclusively female

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Now thinking about the time since your 18th birthday (again, including the recent past that you have already told us about) how many (female/male) partners have you ever had sex with?

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On a scale of 1 to 4, where 1 is very appealing and 4 is not at all appealing, how would you rate each of these activities?
Having sex with someone of the same sex

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In general, are you sexually attracted to:
Only men
Mostly men
Both men and women
Mostly women
Only women

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With how many different partners have you ever had sexual intercourse?

99-00, 01-02, & 03-04

How many partners have been (female/male)?

99-00, 01-02, & 03-04

In your lifetime, with how many (women/men) have you had sex?

99-00, 01-02, & 03-04

In the past 12 months, with how many (women/men) have you had sex?

99-00, 01-02, & 03-04

In your lifetime, with how many females have you had sex? (women only)

05-06 & 07-08

In the past 12 months, with how many females have you had sex? (women only)

05-06 & 07-08

In your lifetime, with how many males have you had anal or oral sex? (men only)

05-06 & 07-08

With how many of these males have you had only oral sex? (men only)

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In the past 12 months, with how many males have you had anal or oral sex? (men only)

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Have you ever had any kind of sex with a man, including oral or anal? (men only)
Yes
No

09-10 &
11-12

Have you ever had any kind of sex with a woman? By sex, we mean sexual contact with another woman's vagina or genitals. (women only)
Yes
No

09-10 &
11-12

In your lifetime, on how many women have you performed oral sex? (men and women)

09-10 &
11-12

In the past 12 months, on how many women have you performed oral sex? (men and women)

09-10 &
11-12

How long (in days) has it been since the last time you performed oral sex on a new female partner? A new sexual partner is someone that you had never had sex with before. (men and women)

09-10 &
11-12

In your lifetime, with how many men have you had anal or oral sex? (men only)

09-10 &
11-12

In the past 12 months, with how many men have you had anal or oral sex? (men only)

09-10 &
11-12

In your lifetime, with how many men have you had anal sex? (men only)

09-10 &
11-12

In the past 12 months, with how many men have you had anal sex?

09-10 &
11-12

Have you ever performed oral sex on a man? Performing oral sex means your mouth on a man's penis or genitals. (men only)
Yes
No

09-10 &
11-12

In your lifetime, on how many men have you performed oral sex? (men and women)

09-10 &
11-12

In the past 12 months, on how many men have you performed oral sex? (men and women)

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11-12

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How long (in days) has it been since the last time you performed oral sex on a new male partner? A new sexual partner is someone that you had never had sex with before. (men and women)

09-10 & 11-12

In your lifetime with how many women have you had sex? By sex, we mean sexual contact with another woman's vagina or genitals. (women only)

09-10 & 11-12

In the past 12 months, with how many women have you had sex? By sex, we mean sexual contact with another woman's vagina or genitals. (women only)

09-10 & 11-12

Have you ever performed oral sex on a woman? Performing oral sex means your mouth on a woman's vagina or genitals. (women only)
Yes
No

09-10 & 11-12

The next question asks about sexual experience you may have had with another female. Have you ever had any sexual experience of any kind with another female?
Yes
No

02 & 10

Thinking about your entire life, how many (female/male) sex partners have you had?

02 & 10

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It is very important that we get accurate responses to this key question. The computer recorded that you have had [NUMBER] (female/male) sex partners in your entire life. If this answer is correct, select "Yes" to move on to the next question. If the computer recorded an incorrect response, please select "No" to change your answer.
Yes
No

02 & 10

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Thinking about the last 12 months, that is, since [DATE], how many (female/male) sex partners have you had?

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Yes
No

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The very last time you had any type of sex -- that is vaginal intercourse or anal sex or oral sex -- was that last sexual partner male or female?

Male
Female

02 & 10

People are different in their sexual attraction to other people. Which best describes your feelings? Are you...

Only attracted to males
Mostly attracted to males
Equally attracted to males and females
Mostly attracted to females
Only attracted to females
Not sure

02 & 10

The next questions ask about sexual experiences you may have had with another male. Have you ever done any of the following with another male?

Put his penis in your mouth (oral sex)
Put your penis in his mouth (oral sex)
Put his penis in your rectum or butt (anal sex)
Put your penis in his rectum or butt (anal sex)

Yes
No

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Thinking about your entire life, how many male sex partners have you had?

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- Only attracted to females
- Mostly attracted to females
- Equally attracted to females and males
- Mostly attracted to males
- Only attracted to males
- Not sure

02 & 10

The next questions ask about sexual experiences you may had with another female. Have you ever performed oral sex on another female?

- Yes
- No

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Has another female ever performed oral sex on you?

- Yes
- No

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Thinking about the last 12 months, how many female sex partners have you had in the 12 months since [DATE]? Please count every partner, even those you had sex with only once in those 12 months.

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The next questions ask about sexual experiences you may have had with another male. Have you ever done any of the following with another male?

- Have you ever performed oral sex on another male, that is, stimulated his penis with your mouth?
- Has another male ever performed oral sex on you, that is, stimulated your penis with his mouth?
- Has another male ever put his penis in your rectum or butt (anal sex)?
- Have you ever put your penis in his rectum or butt (anal sex)?

- Yes
- No

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Which of the following best describes your feelings?
 Completely heterosexual (attracted to persons of the opposite sex)
 Mostly heterosexual
 Bisexual (equally attracted to men and women)
 Mostly homosexual
 Completely homosexual (gay/lesbian, attracted to persons of the same sex)

99, 01, 03, 05, 07, 10, & 11

During your life, the person(s) with whom you have had sexual contact is (are):
 I have not had sexual contact with anyone
 Female(s)
 Male(s)
 Female(s) and male(s)

01, 03, 05, 07, & 11

I wish I were not attracted to the same sex.
 Strongly agree
 Agree
 Mixed/not sure
 Disagree
 Strongly disagree

03 & 05

In the past year, how often did you go to lesbian, gay, or bisexual social events, cafes, dance clubs, bars, or hung around these places?
 Never
 1-5 times
 6-11 times
 1 time/month
 2-3 times/month
 1 time/week
 2+ times/week

03 & 05

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In the past year, how often did you go to lesbian, gay, or bisexual meetings or educational events at a community center or other place?

- Never
- 1–5 times
- 6–11 times
- 1 time/month
- 2–3 times/month
- 1 time/week
- 2+ times/week

03 & 05

In the past year, how often did you read or watch lesbian, gay, or bisexual magazines, newspapers, books, web sites, videos or movies?

- Never
- 1–5 times
- 6–11 times
- 1 time/month
- 2–3 times/month
- 1 time/week
- 2+ times/week

03 & 05

How many of your close friends (people you can confide in) are lesbian, gay, or bisexual?

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I feel uneasy around people who are very open in public about being gay, lesbian, or bisexual.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Mixed/not sure
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

03 & 05

I worry a lot that others might think I am lesbian, gay, or bisexual.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Mixed/not sure
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

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During your LIFETIME, have you EVER been sexually attracted to (MALES/FEMALES)?
Yes
No

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How old were you when you FIRST realized you were sexually attracted to (MALES/FEMALES)? (Think about your first crush or the first time you recognized feeling sexually attracted to someone.) If you do not remember your exact age, please fill in your best guess.

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Have you ever told another person that you are sexually attracted to FEMALES?
Yes
No

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How old were you when you FIRST told another person you were sexually attracted to FEMALES? (If you do not remember your exact age, please fill in your best guess.)

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During your LIFETIME, have you EVER had sexual contact with a (MALE/FEMALE)?
Yes
No

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During your LIFETIME, how many different (MALES/FEMALES) have you had sexual contact with?
1
2
3-5
6-10
11-14
15-24
25-34
35 or more

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How old were you when you FIRST had sexual contact with a FEMALE? (If you do not remember your exact age, please fill in your best guess.)	10								

Agencies and Surveys

- NIHLB: National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute
- WHI: Women's Health Initiative
- NIAAA: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Surveys
- NAS: National Alcohol Survey
- NESARC: National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions
- NICHD: National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
- Add Health: The National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health
- NORC: National Opinion Research Center
- GSS: General Social Survey
- NHSLS: National Health and Social Life Survey
- CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- NHANES: National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey
- NSFG: National Survey of Family Growth
- GUTS: Growing Up Today Study

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